

(23) to Bennett Hutchinson prior to the issuance of said patent to William Jacobs, and

WHEREAS, Martha Viola Neel is now the owner and claimant of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of said section number twenty-three (23) by chain of conveyances from said William Jacobs, and

WHEREAS, the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of said section number twenty-three (23) is now held and occupied by Martha Viola Neel and has been so held and occupied by her prior and immediate grantors by actual open and adverse possession for more than fifty (50) years.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 SECTION 1. The governor and secretary of state be, and are hereby
- 2 authorized, empowered and directed in the name of the state of Iowa
- 3 and under its seal, to convey by patent to Martha Viola Neel the fol-
- 4 lowing described real estate in Dallas county, Iowa, to wit:
- 5 The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section number
- 6 twenty-three (23), (except two and one-half (2½) acres in the south-
- 7 east corner) in township number eighty-one (81) north, of range
- 8 number twenty-six (26) west of the fifth principal meridian. Said
- 9 patent to issue without expense to the state.

Approved March 28, A. D. 1923.

CHAPTER 318

COMMON CARRIERS

H. F. 498

AN ACT to repeal section three (3), chapter two hundred eighty-four (284), acts of the thirty-seventh (37th) general assembly, as amended by chapter three hundred thirty-seven (337), acts of the thirty-ninth (39th) general assembly, and to enact a substitute in lieu thereof, relating to appropriation of funds to enable the board of railroad commissioners to continue the investigation of the valuation of the property of common carriers made by the interstate commerce commission.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 SECTION 1. **Appropriation.** That the law as it appears in section
- 2 three (3), chapter two hundred eighty-four (284), acts of the thirty-
- 3 seventh (37th) general assembly, as amended by chapter three hun-
- 4 dred thirty-seven (337), acts of the thirty-ninth (39th) general assem-
- 5 bly, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted in
- 6 lieu thereof:
- 7 There is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the state treasury
- 8 not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand six hundred
- 9 sixty-six and 67/100 dollars (\$6,666.67), which sum, or so much there-
- 10 of as may be necessary, shall be expended upon the order of the board
- 11 of railroad commissioners to carry out the terms and provisions of
- 12 this act until July 1, 1923; and thereafter there is hereby appropriated

13 the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) annually for two
14 years, which sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be
15 expended upon the order of the board of railroad commissioners for
16 the purposes of carrying out the terms and provisions of this act.

1 SEC. 2. **Publication clause.** This act being deemed of immediate
2 importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publi-
3 cation in the Des Moines Register and Des Moines Capital, news-
4 papers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 2, A. D. 1923.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Capital
April 3, 1923, and the Des Moines Register April 4, 1923.

W. C. RAMSAY, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 319

SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS

H. F. 677

AN ACT relating to the levying, under certain conditions, of a schoolhouse tax by independent school districts and the issuing of certificates or bonds in anticipation of the collection of such tax and providing for a special schoolhouse fund.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. **Special schoolhouse fund.** That the board of directors
2 of any independent school district in which there is at the time of
3 taking effect of this act, under process of construction, a school
4 building or in which because of the destruction by fire prior to the
5 taking effect of this act, it is necessary to construct a school building,
6 or in which warrants issued for building, constructing, equipping or
7 furnishing a school building, are outstanding and unpaid, for the
8 completion or construction of such building, or for the payment of
9 such warrants, the funds of such district now provided by bonds
10 already voted, issued, or by tax receipts for the current year, or funds
11 for which it is possible to provide are inadequate, may, if a majority
12 of the votes cast are in favor of the proposition at an election in which
13 the proposition is submitted to the people, certify an amount not
14 exceeding twenty mills on the dollar of the taxable property of said
15 district, and for a period of years not exceeding fifteen, to the board
16 of supervisors; and the board of supervisors shall levy the amounts
17 so certified and for the years so designated and the tax so levied shall
18 be placed in a special schoolhouse fund, and used only for the purpose
19 of paying for the school site, the construction of said building and
20 the equipment thereof; or for the payment or settlement of such war-
21 rants so outstanding and unpaid, issued for building, constructing,
22 equipping or furnishing a school building; or for the purpose of pay-
23 ing bonds or certificates issued in anticipation of the tax so levied as
24 provided in this act.